

WorkFirst Performance Summary

WorkFirst Re-examination Project

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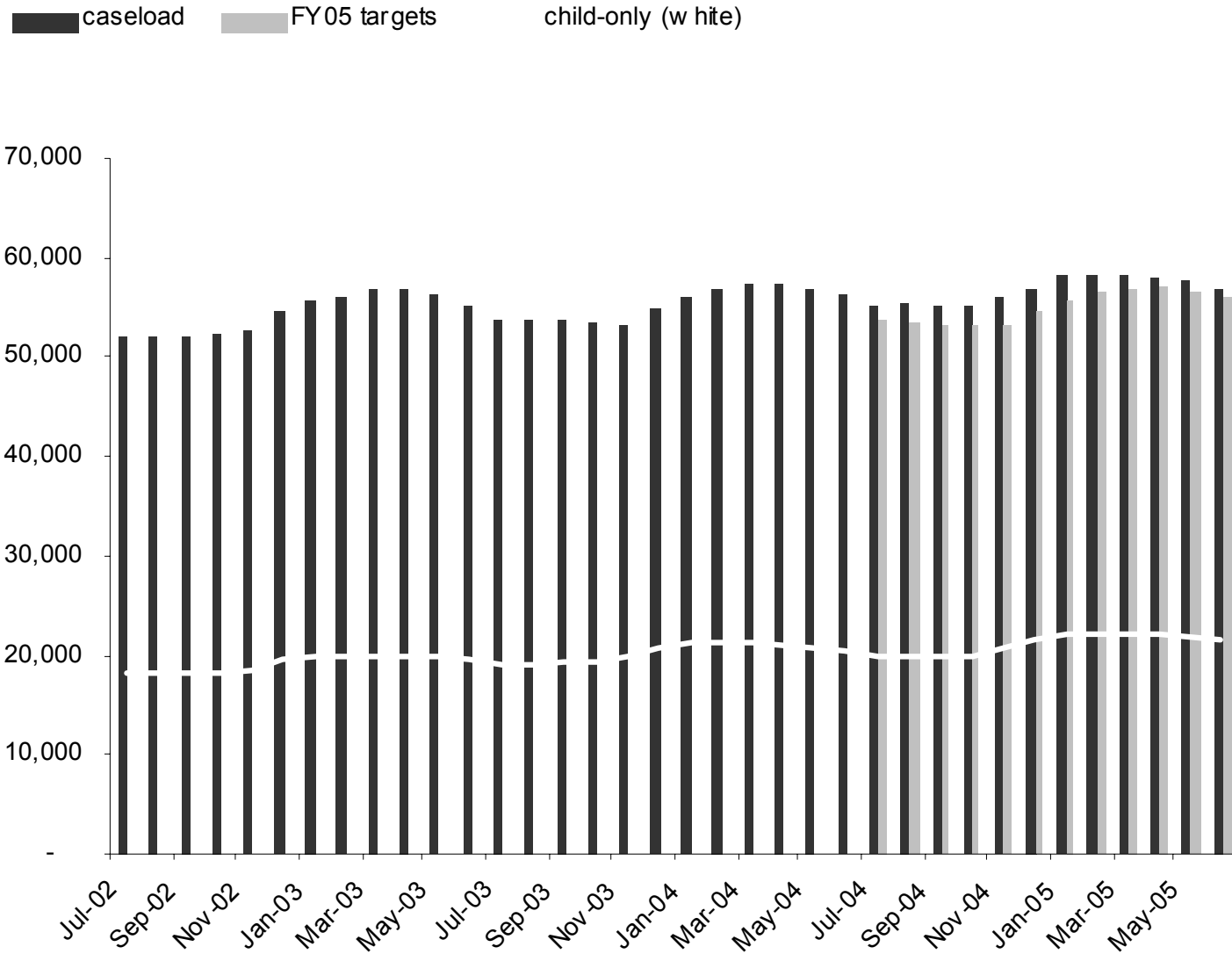
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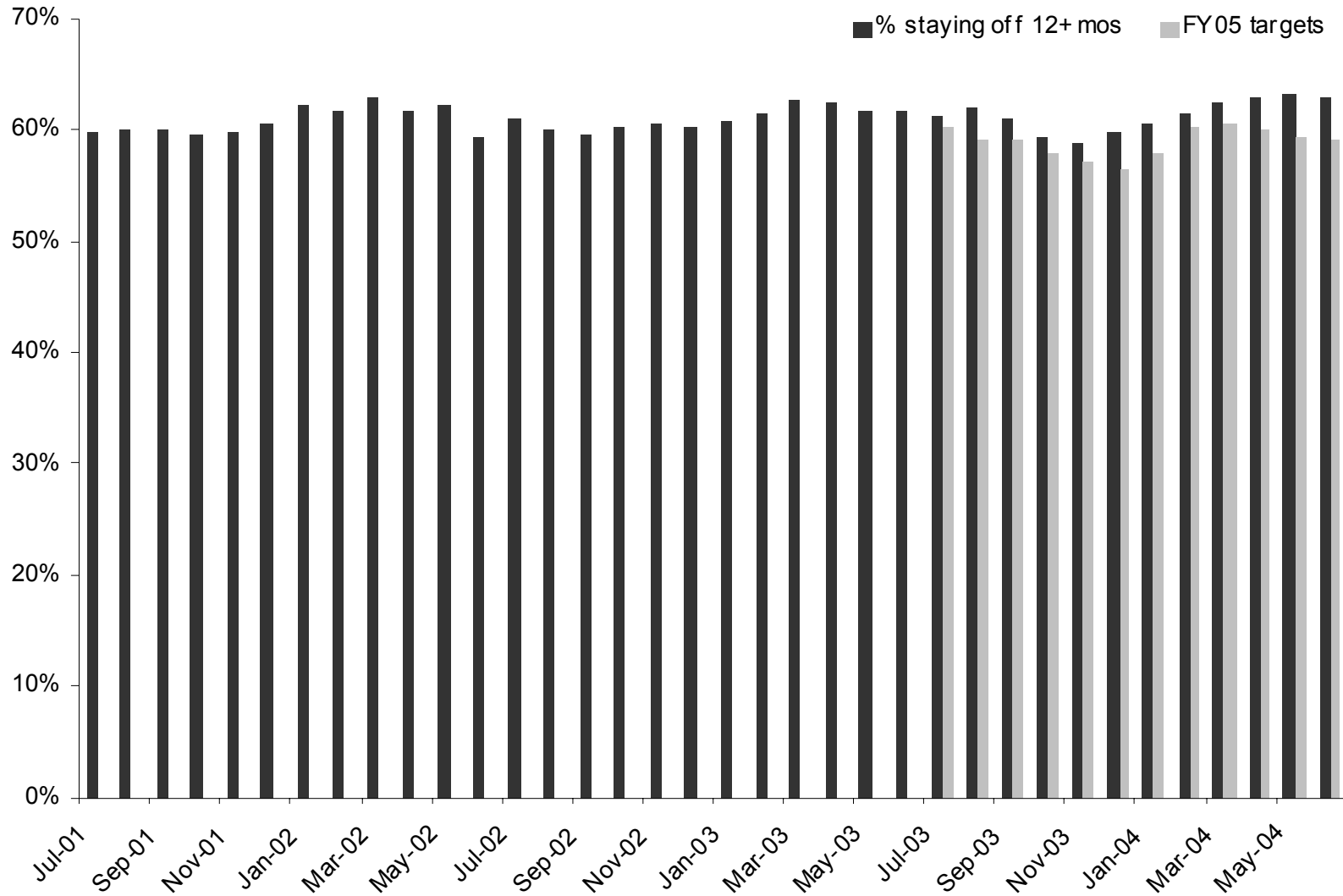
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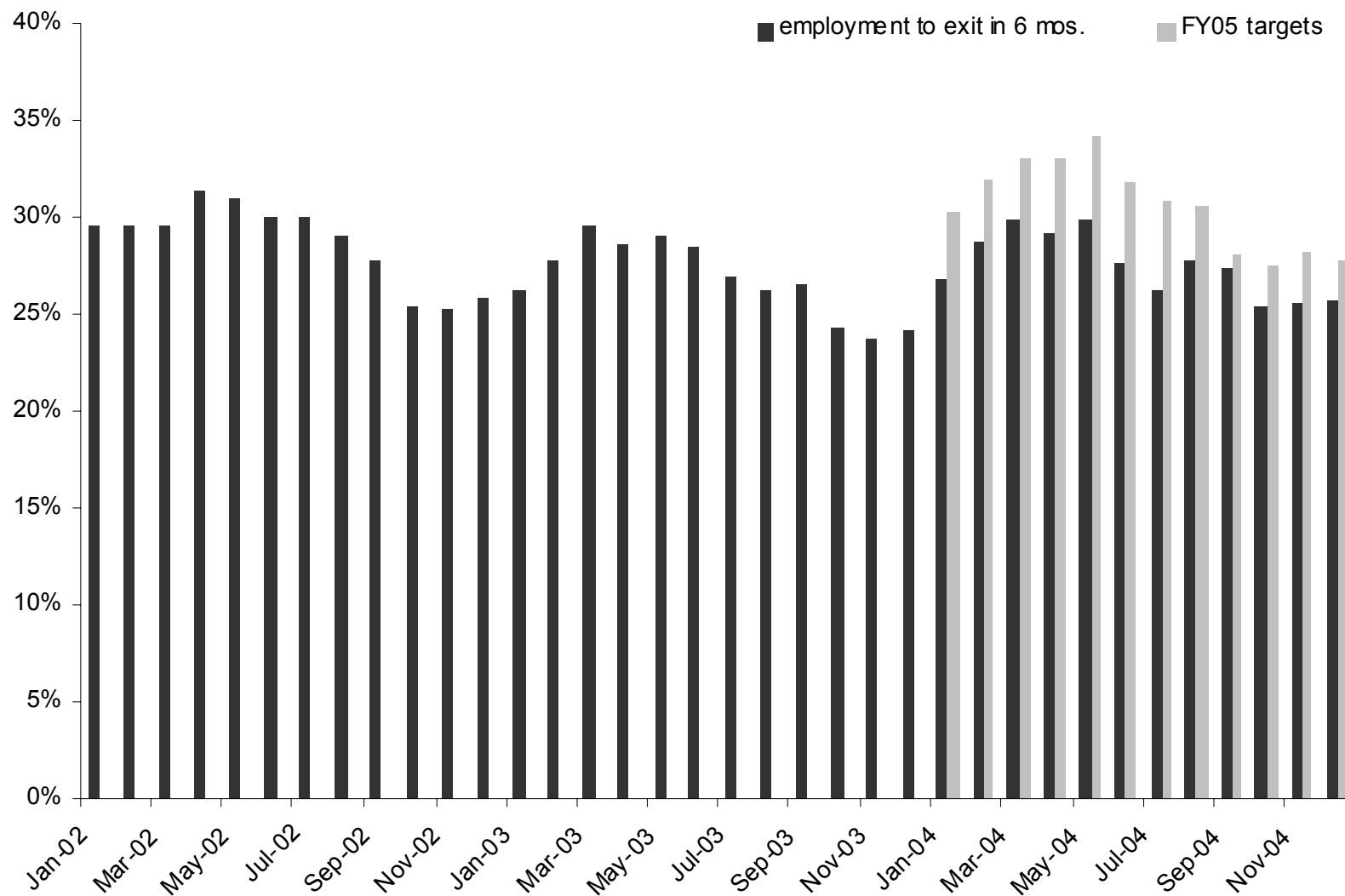
Caseload



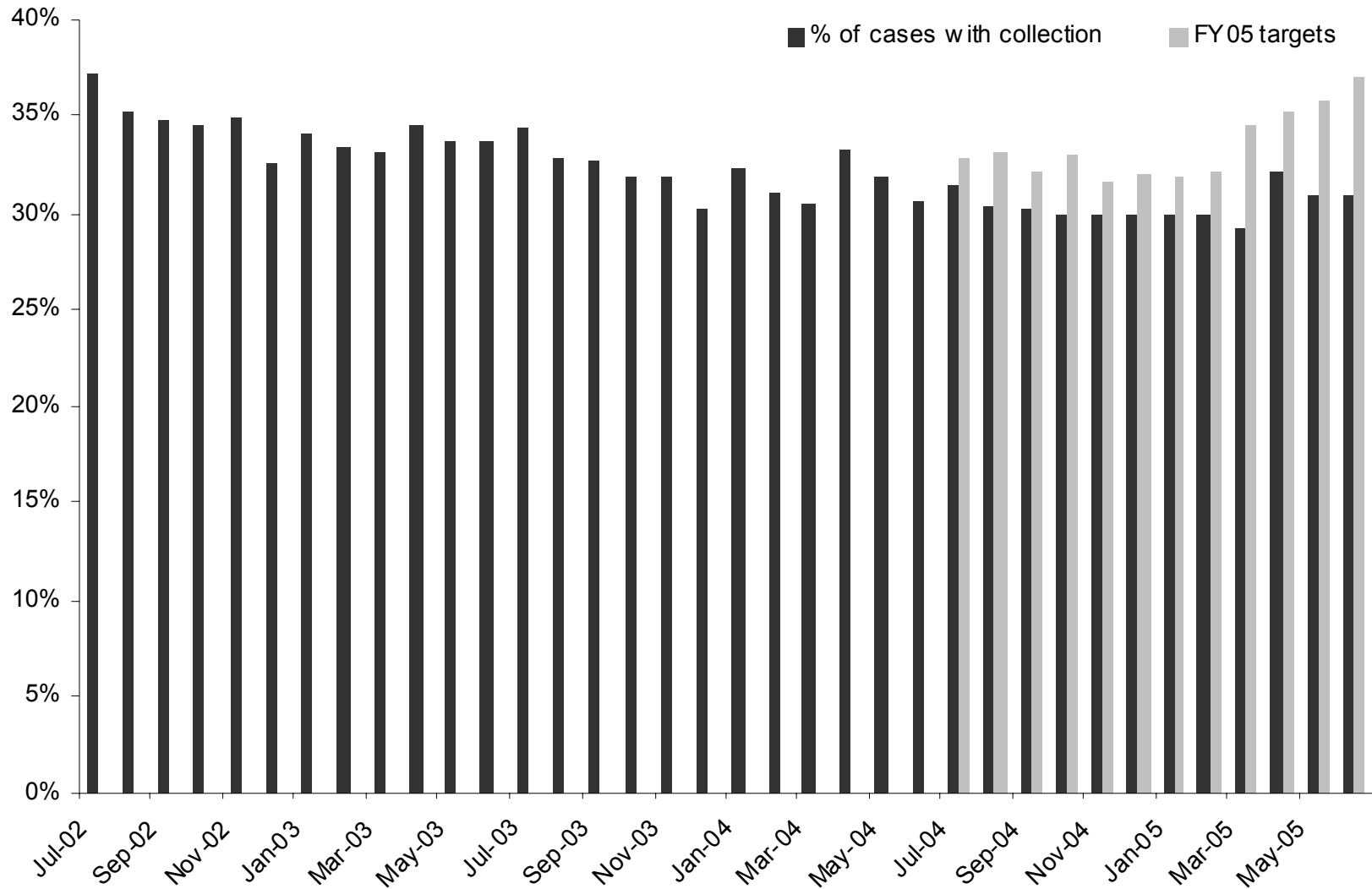
Long Term Exits from Welfare



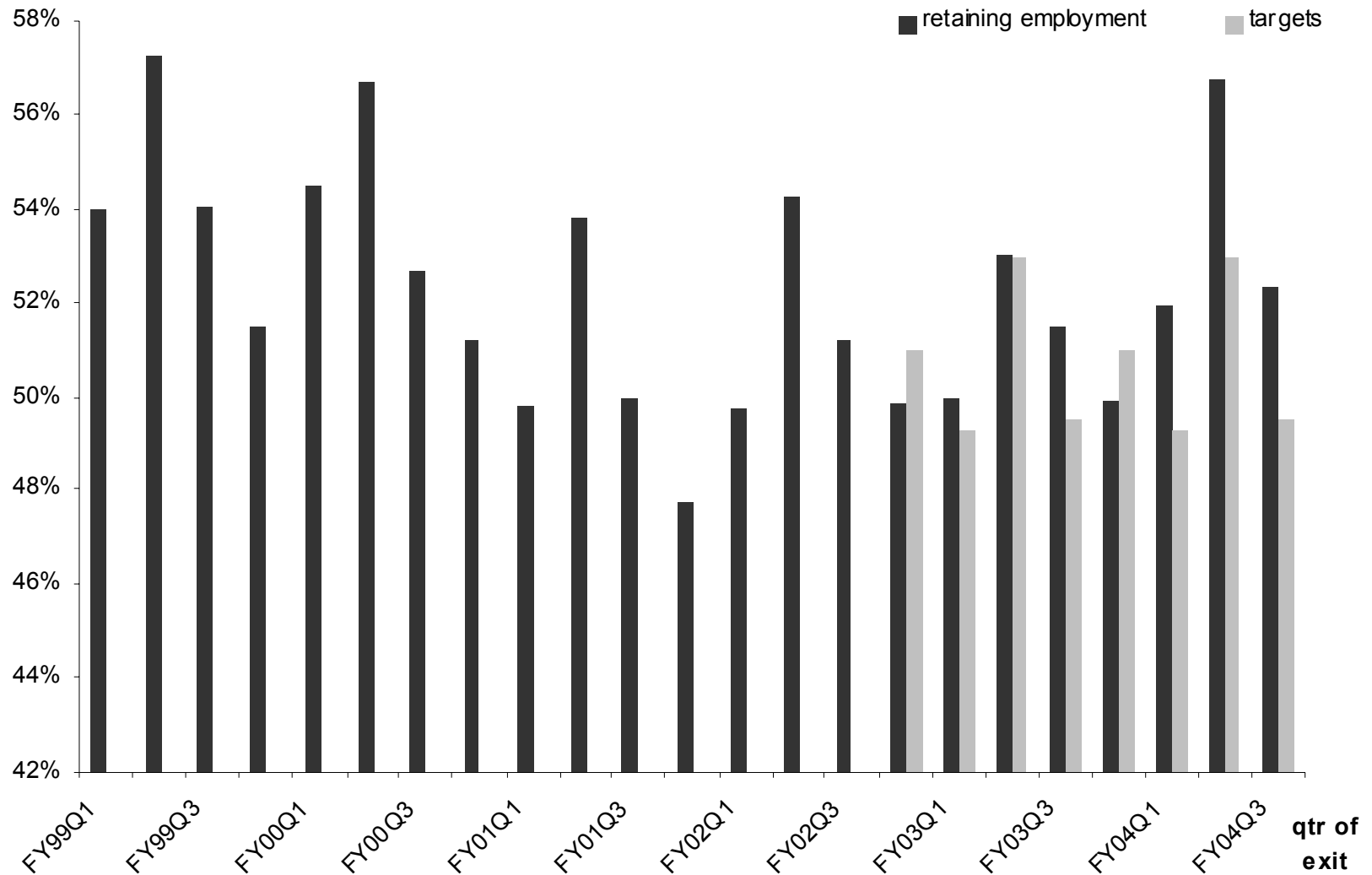
Jobs Leading to Exits from TANF



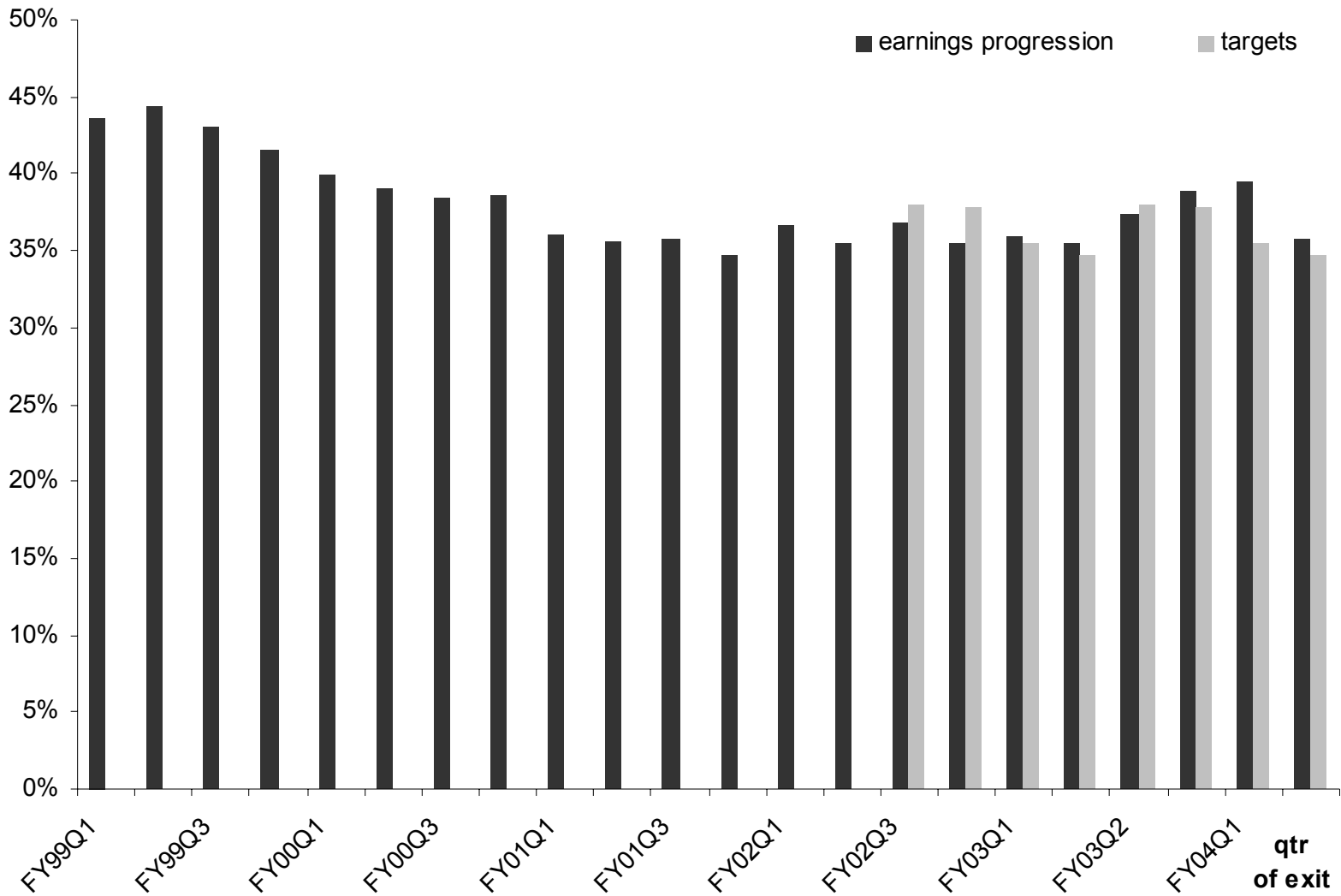
Child Support Paid



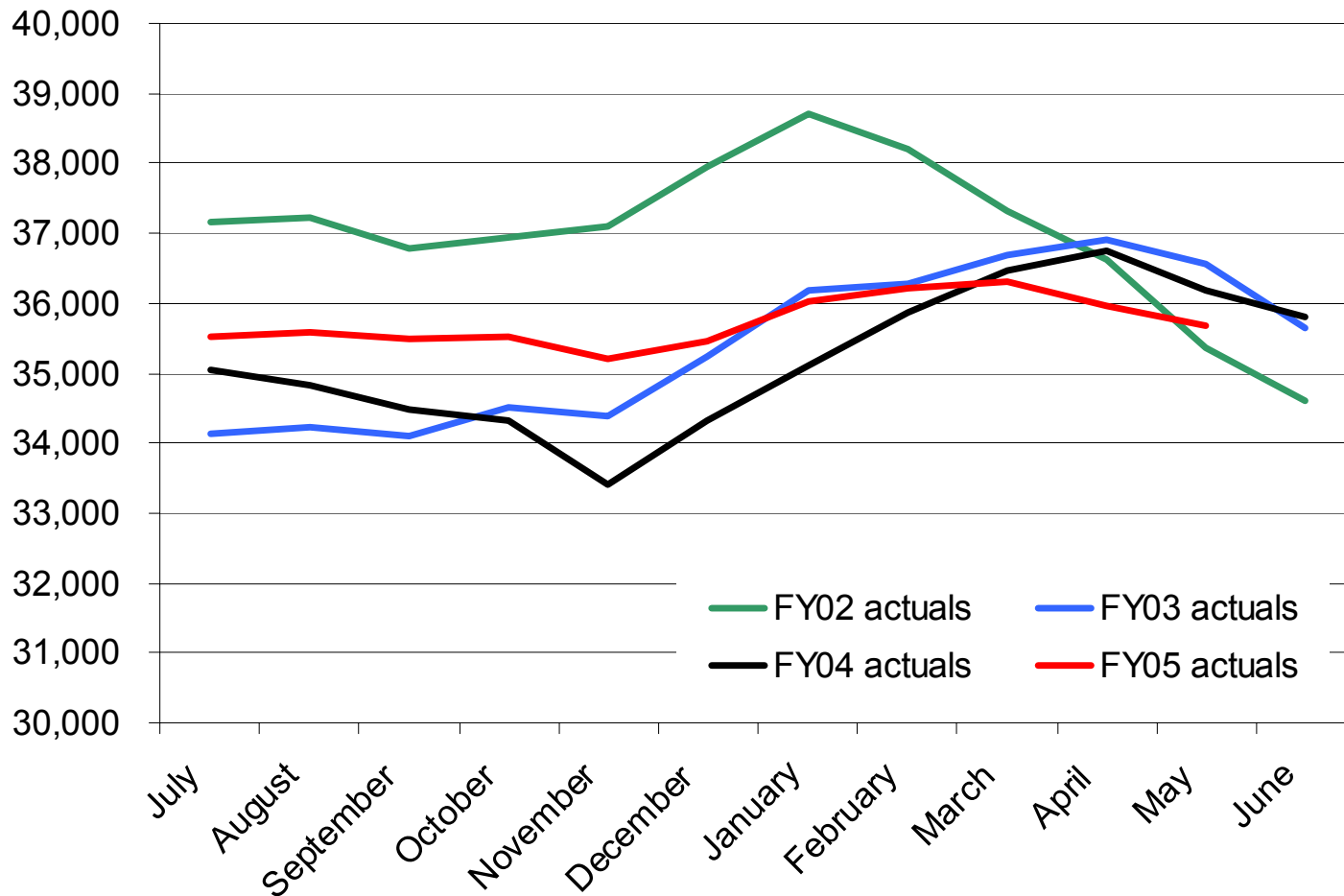
Percent Remaining Employed



Percent Increasing Earnings

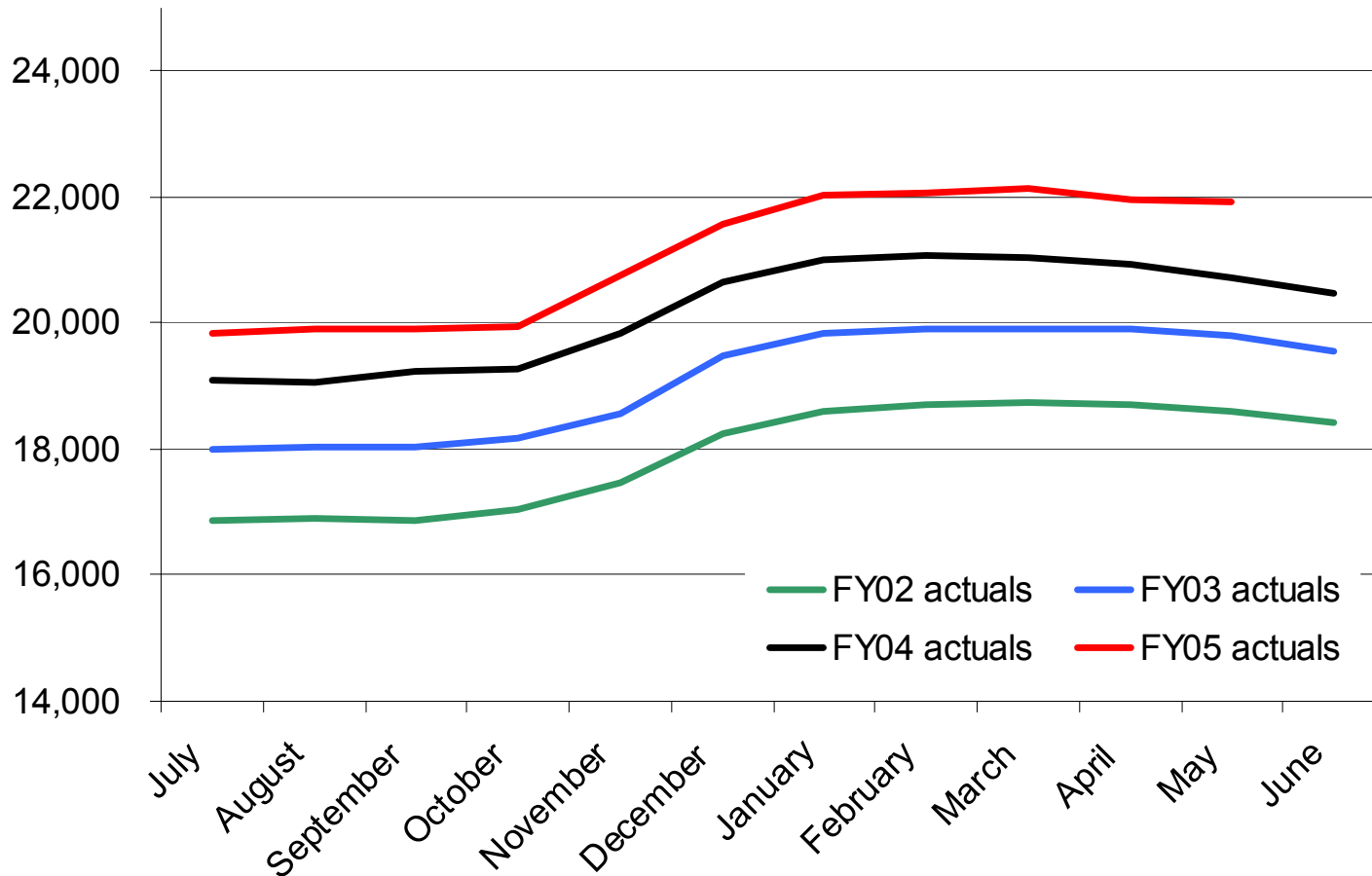


How does the statewide adult caseload compare to earlier years?



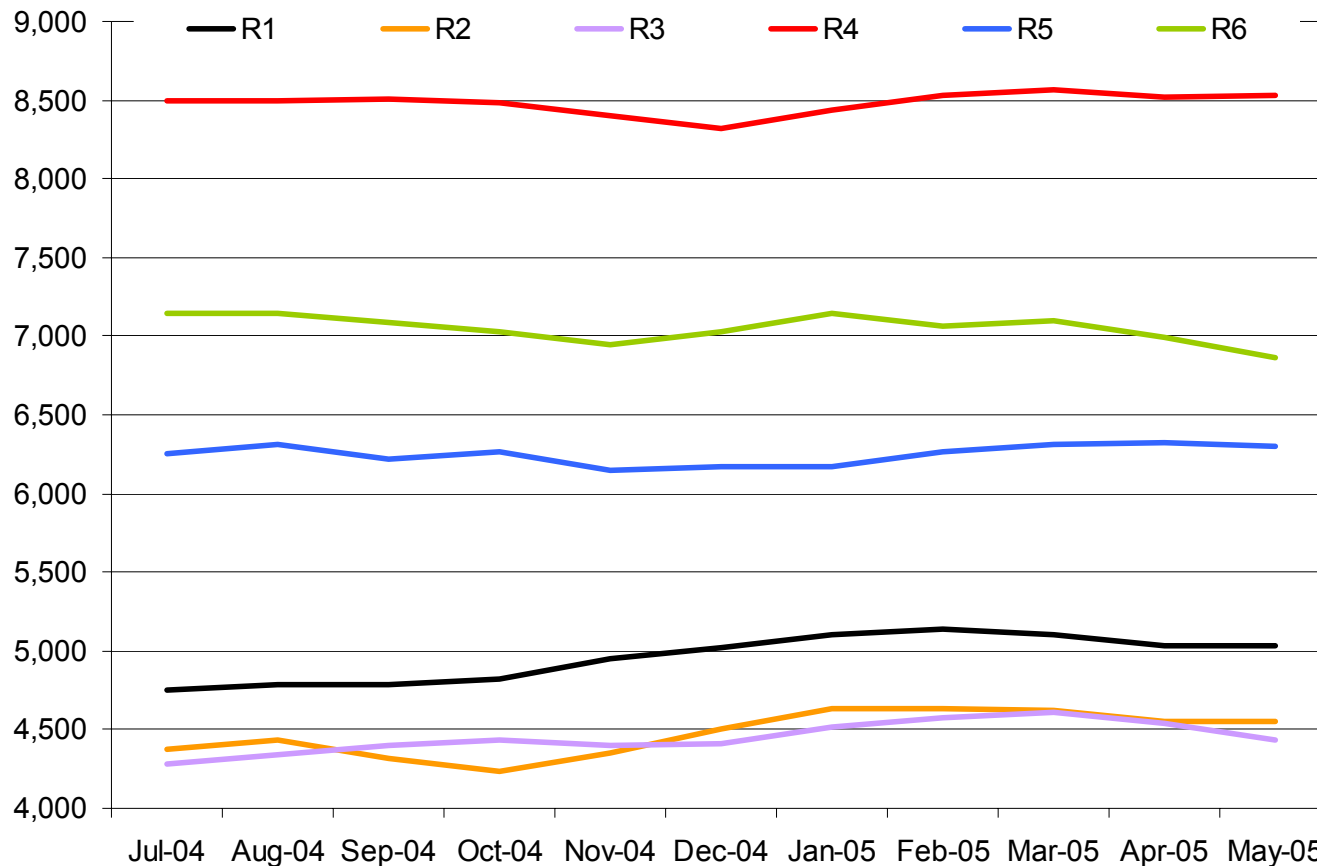
In FY05, the adult caseload followed standard seasonal trends and variation from recent years was minor.

What has happened to the child-only caseload in recent years?



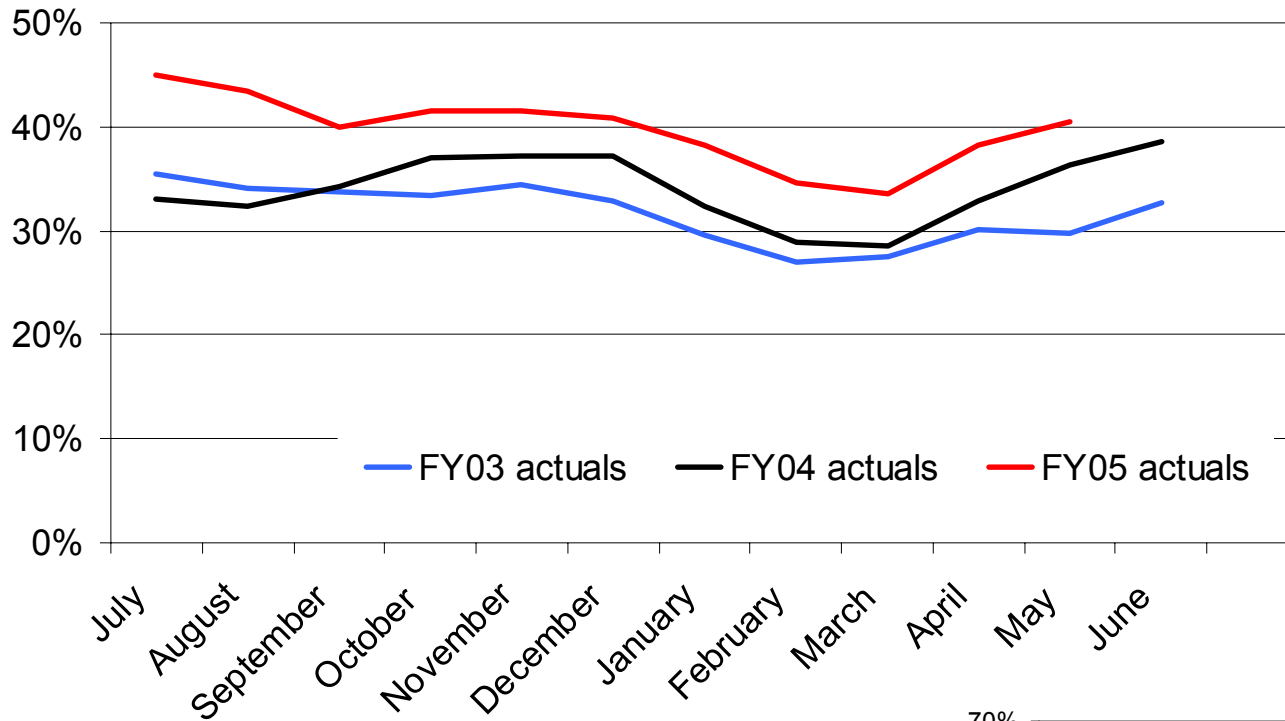
In FY05, the child-only caseload followed standard seasonal trends and continued to rise above prior years at about 6%.

How have trends in the adult caseload varied by region?



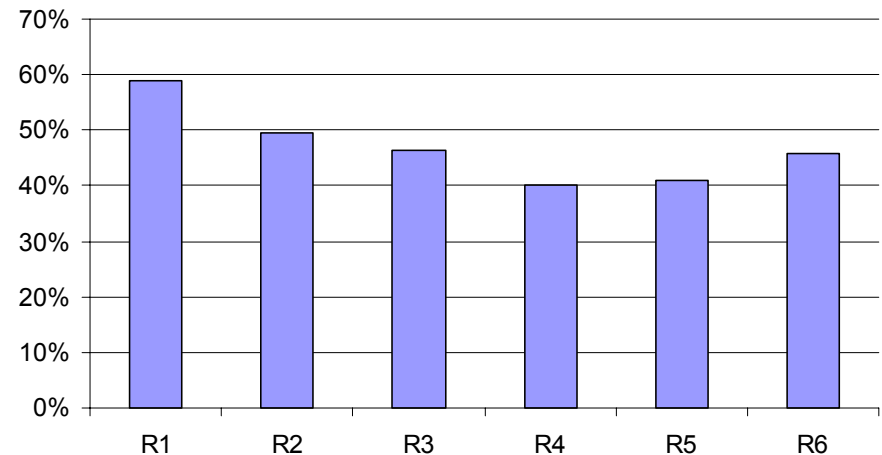
Adult caseload has been flat in most regions, with a slight decline in Region 6.

Among adults who start job search in a given month, what percent find jobs within 90 days?

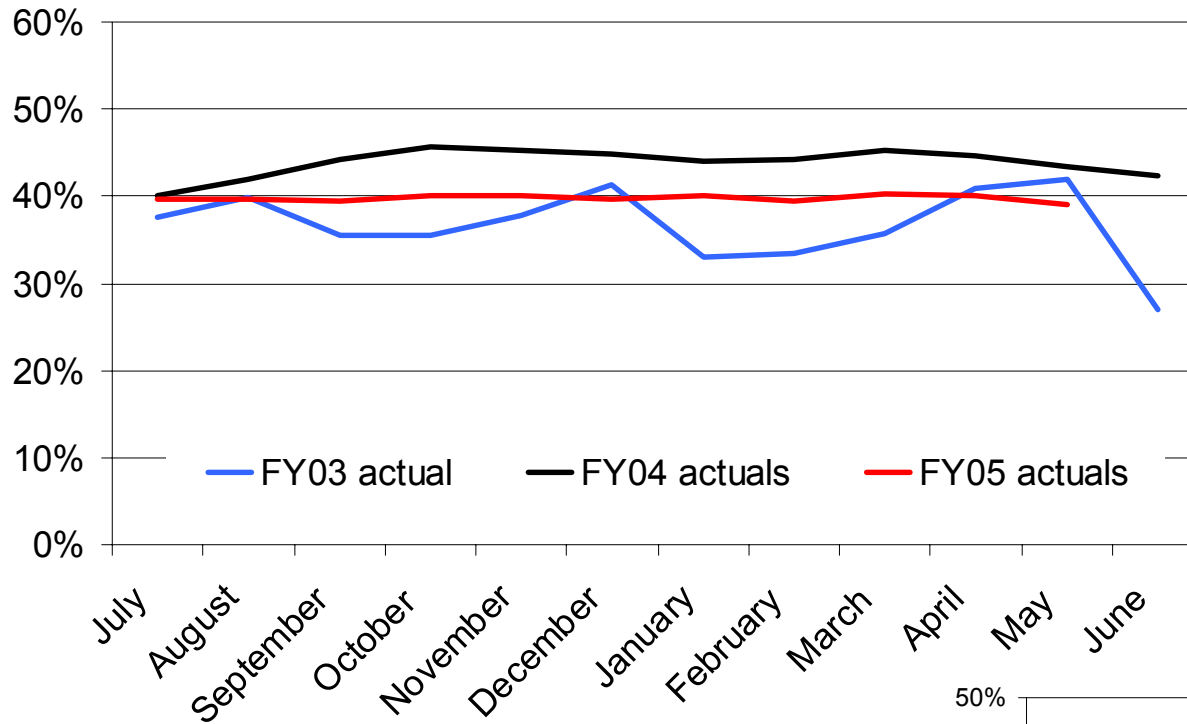


JS to work performance has been higher in FY05 than in recent years, although the number of clients entering job search has declined.

Is there regional variation?

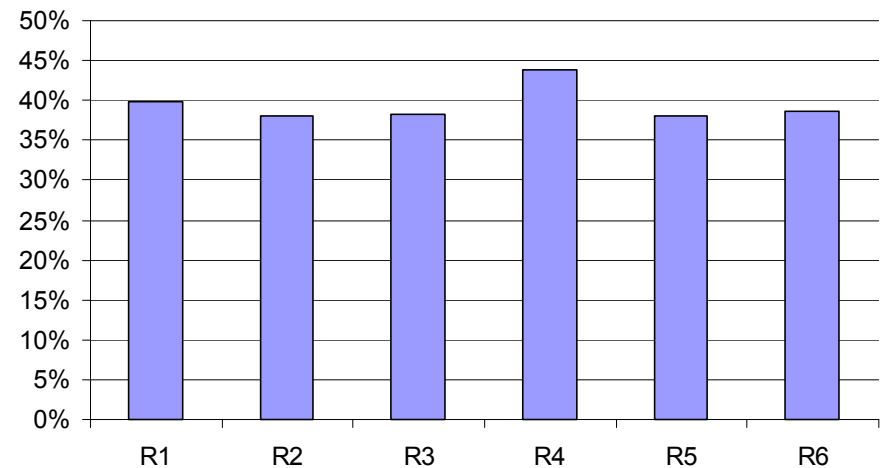


Among adults who are required to participate full time, what percent are doing so?

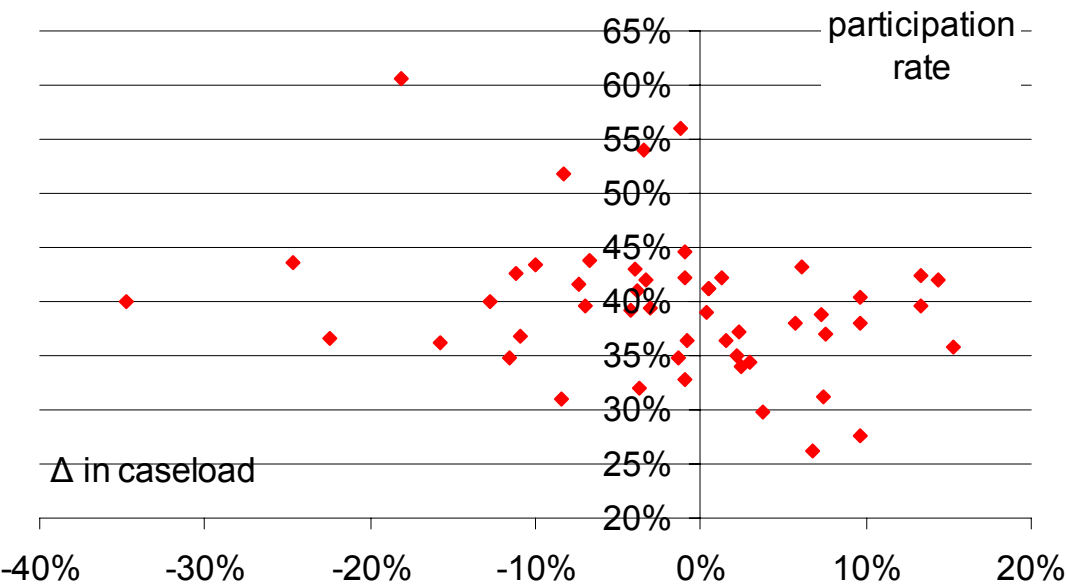
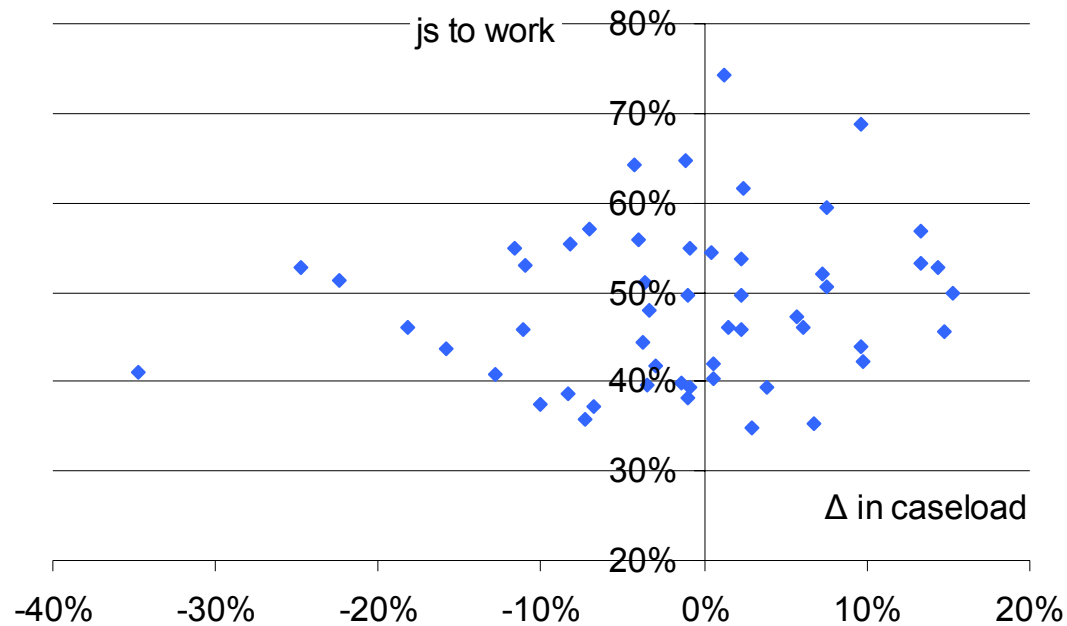


Participation levels have been very steady throughout FY05.

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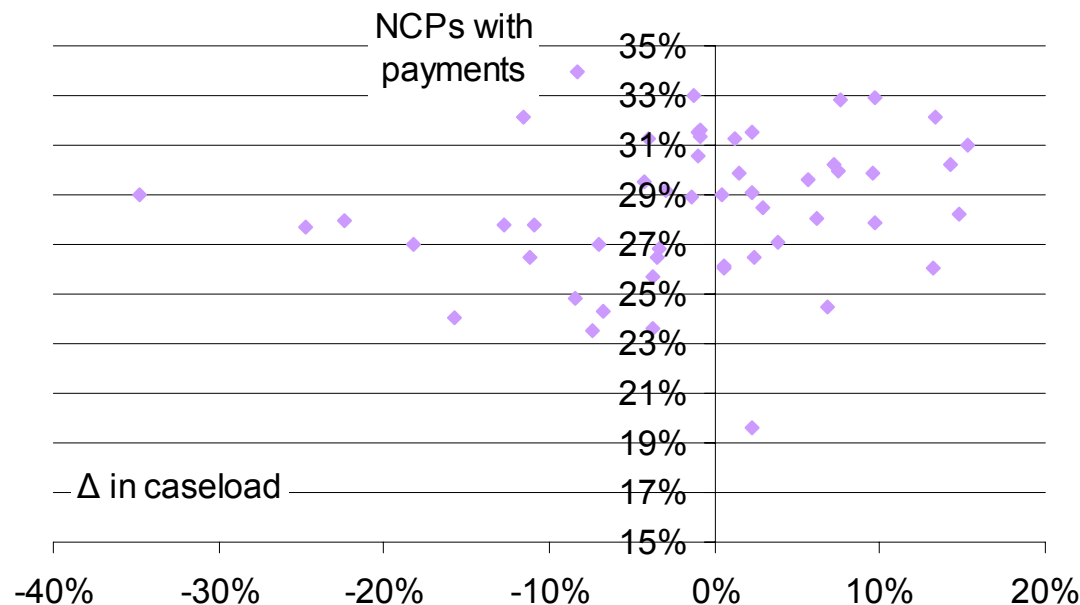
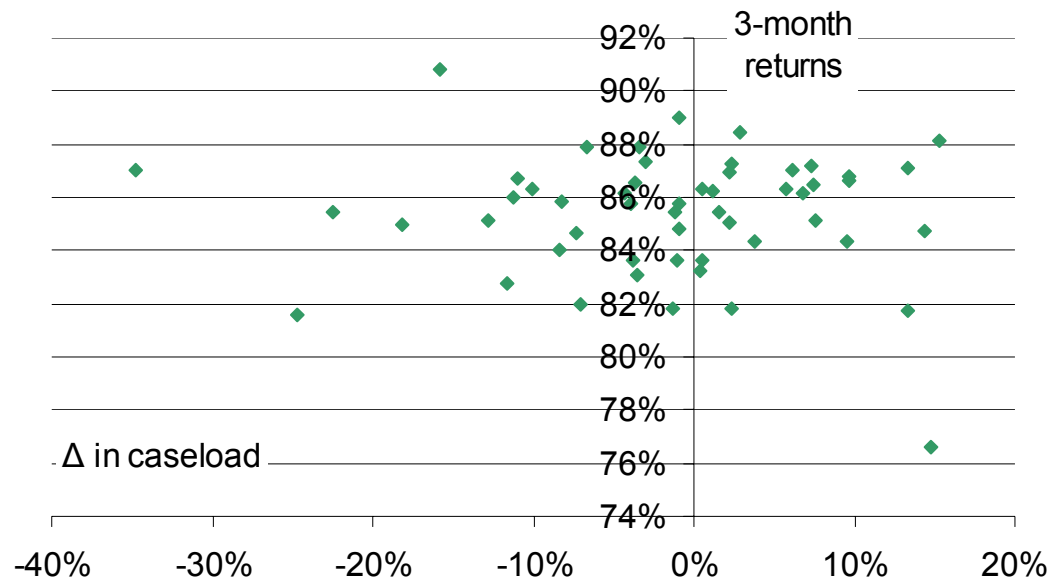


How does an office's performance on one measure correlate to it's performance on others?



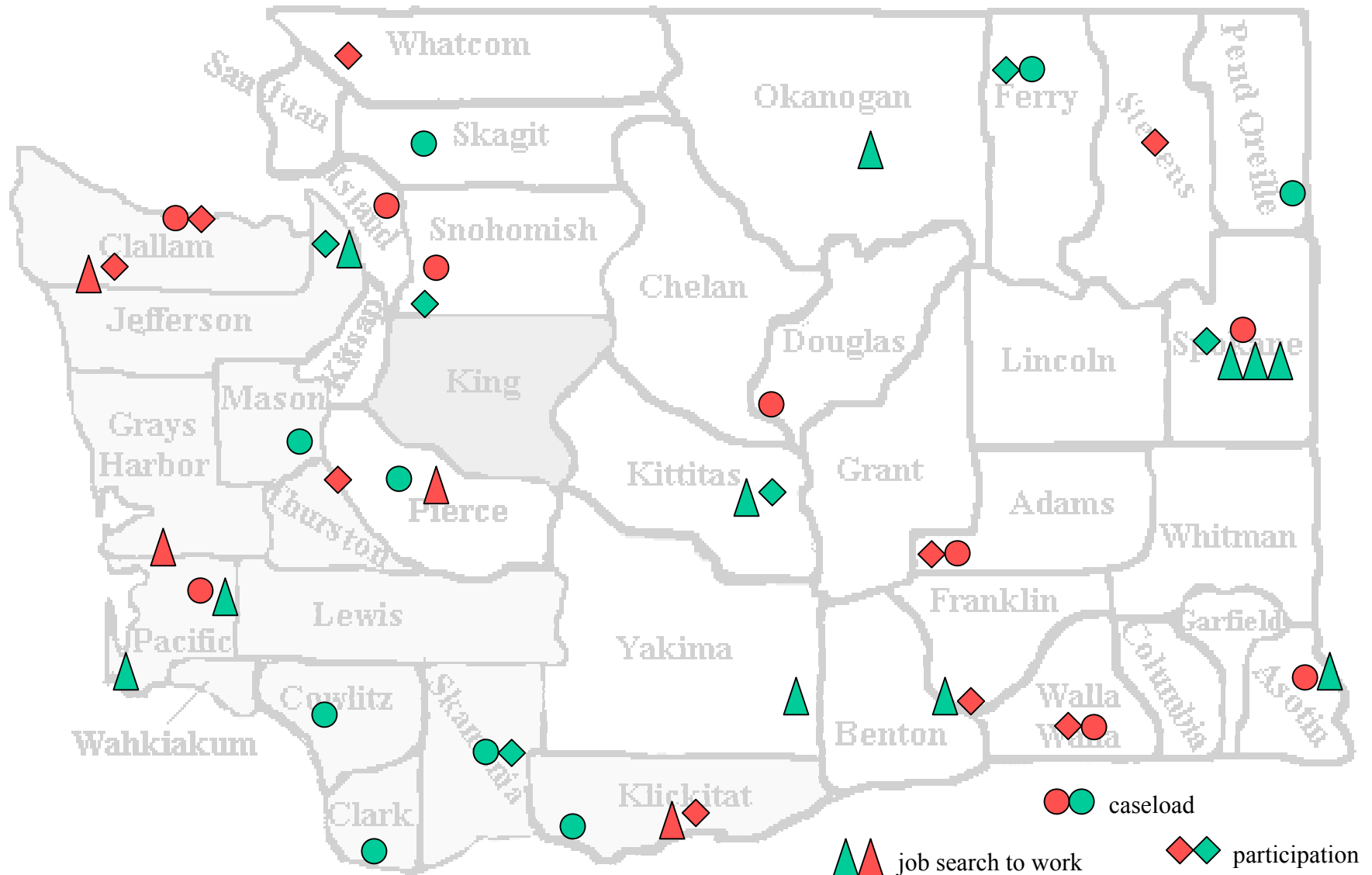
There are no clear relationships. Offices that excelled in the past year on one measure may have done poorly on any or all other measures. Performance seems to be specialized.

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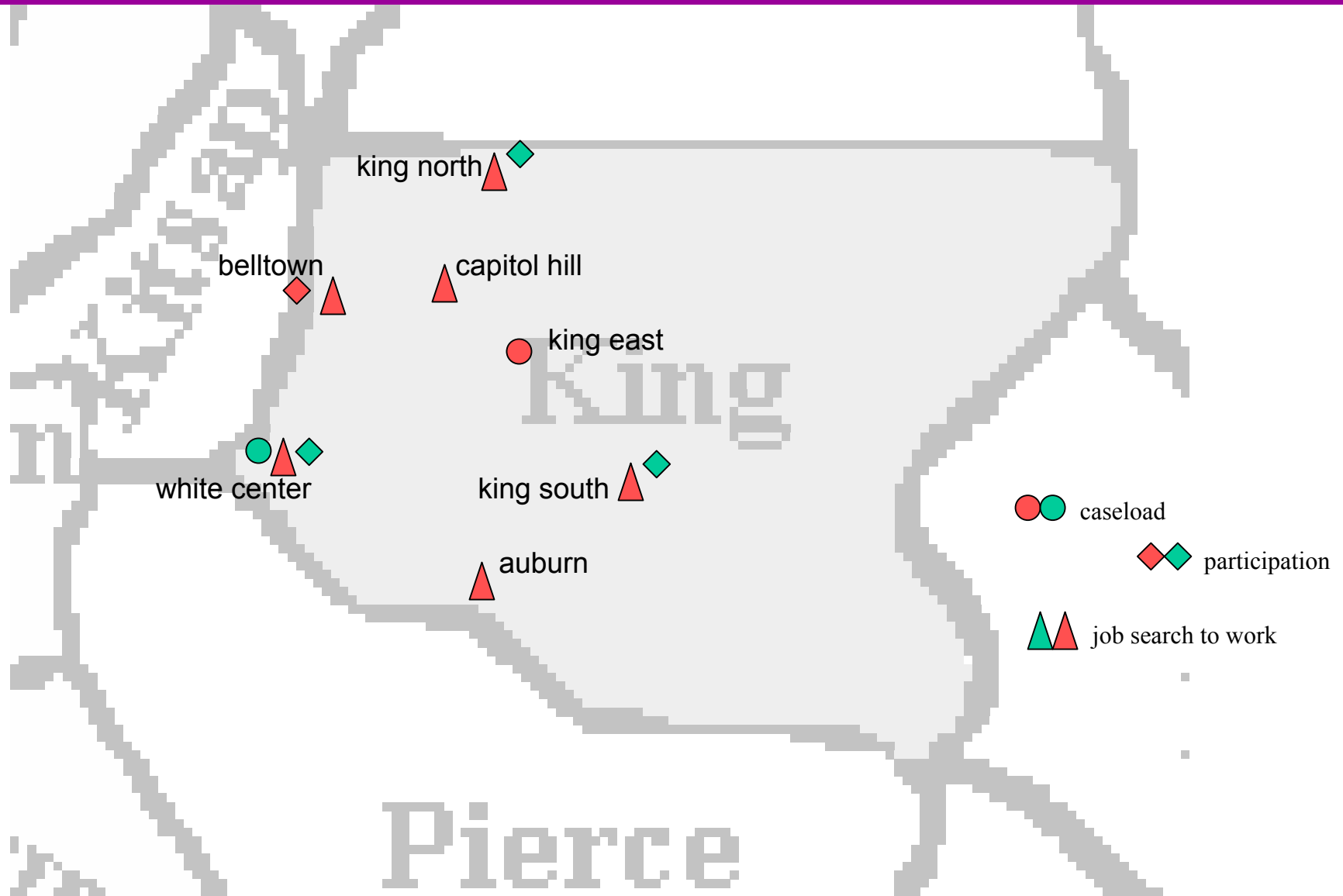


Three offices: **Ellensburg, White Center, and Spokane Valley**, were among the top ten performers on three measures. Six more offices: **Republic, Port Townsend, South Bend, Newport, Stevenson, and Spokane North**, were in the top ten on two measures. But White Center, South Bend, and Stevenson were also bottom-ten performers on other measures....

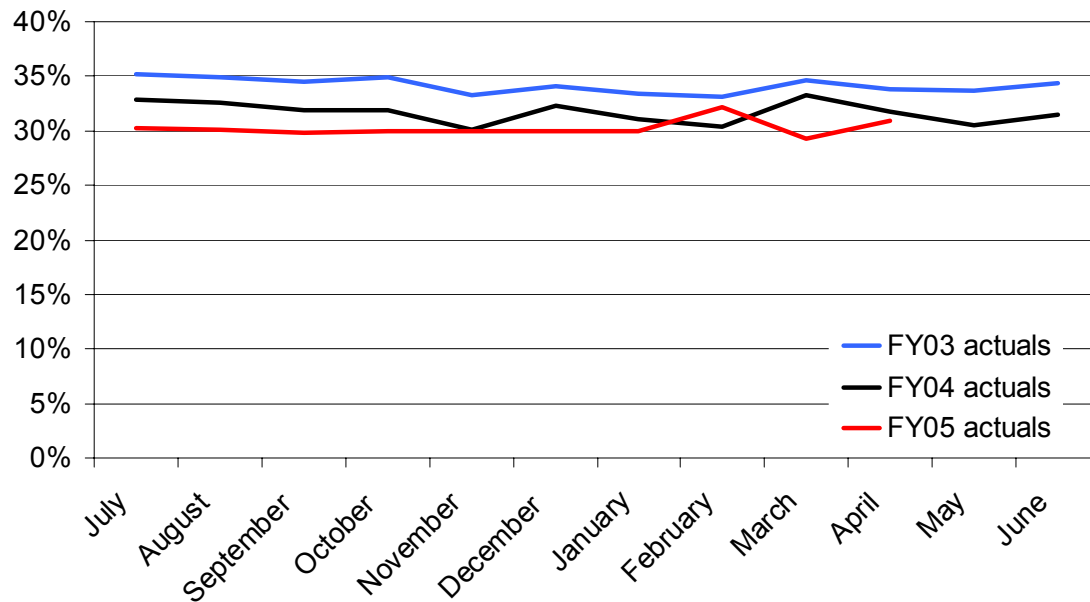
How does performance on the crucial measures correlate?



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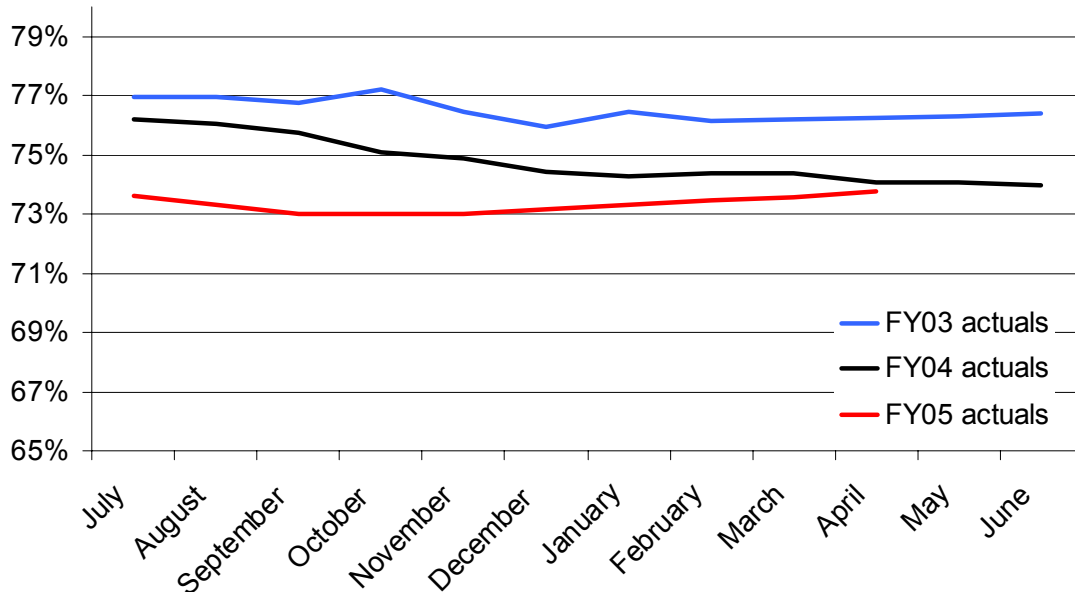
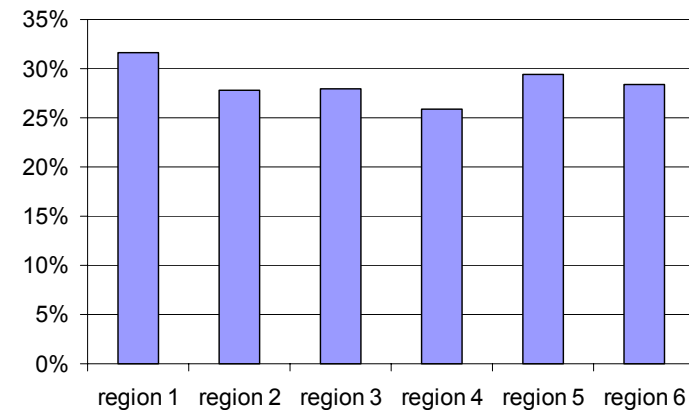


Are TANF families getting their child support ?



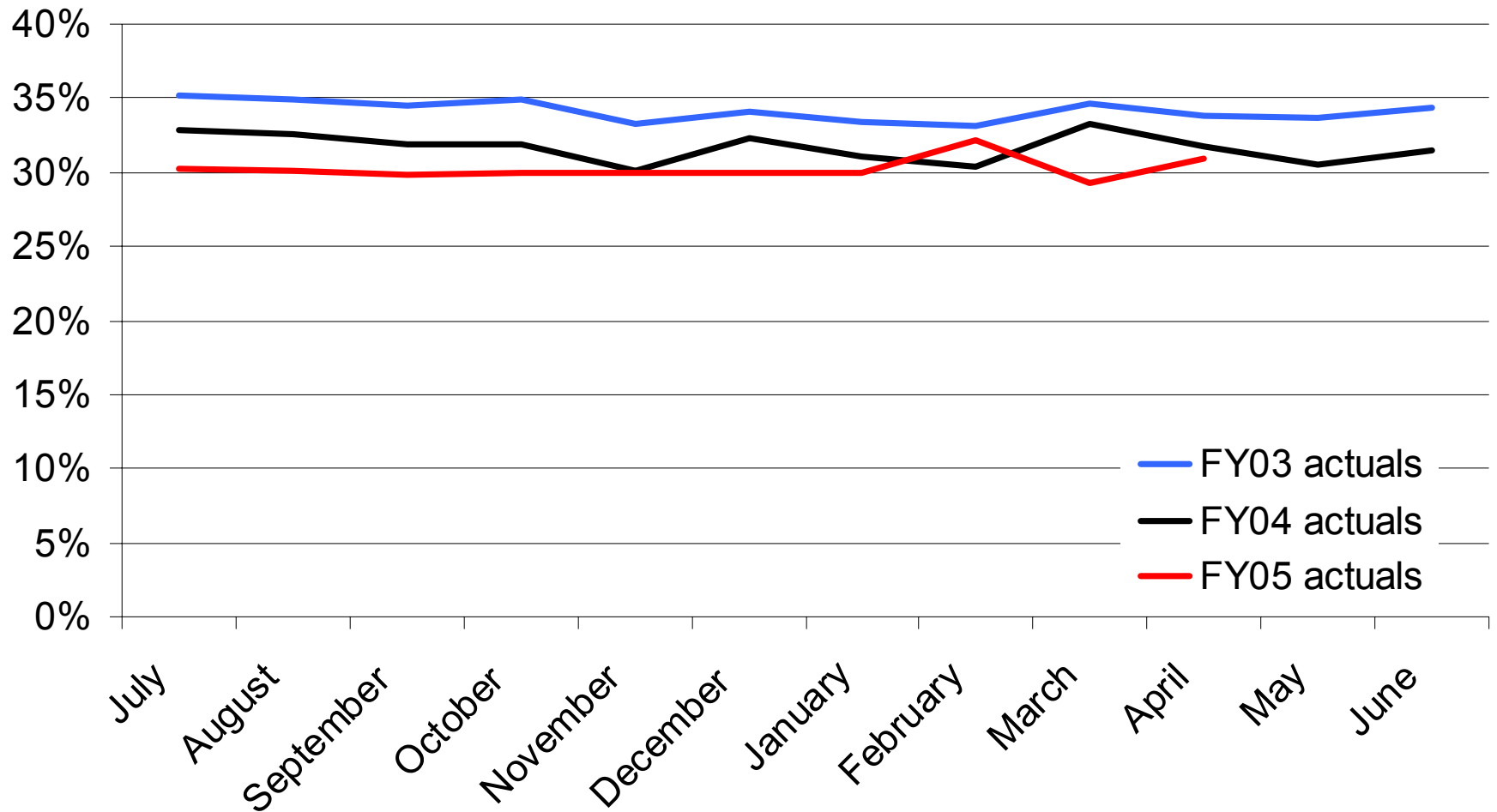
70-75% of TANF parents have a support order established. This has declined steadily in recent years.

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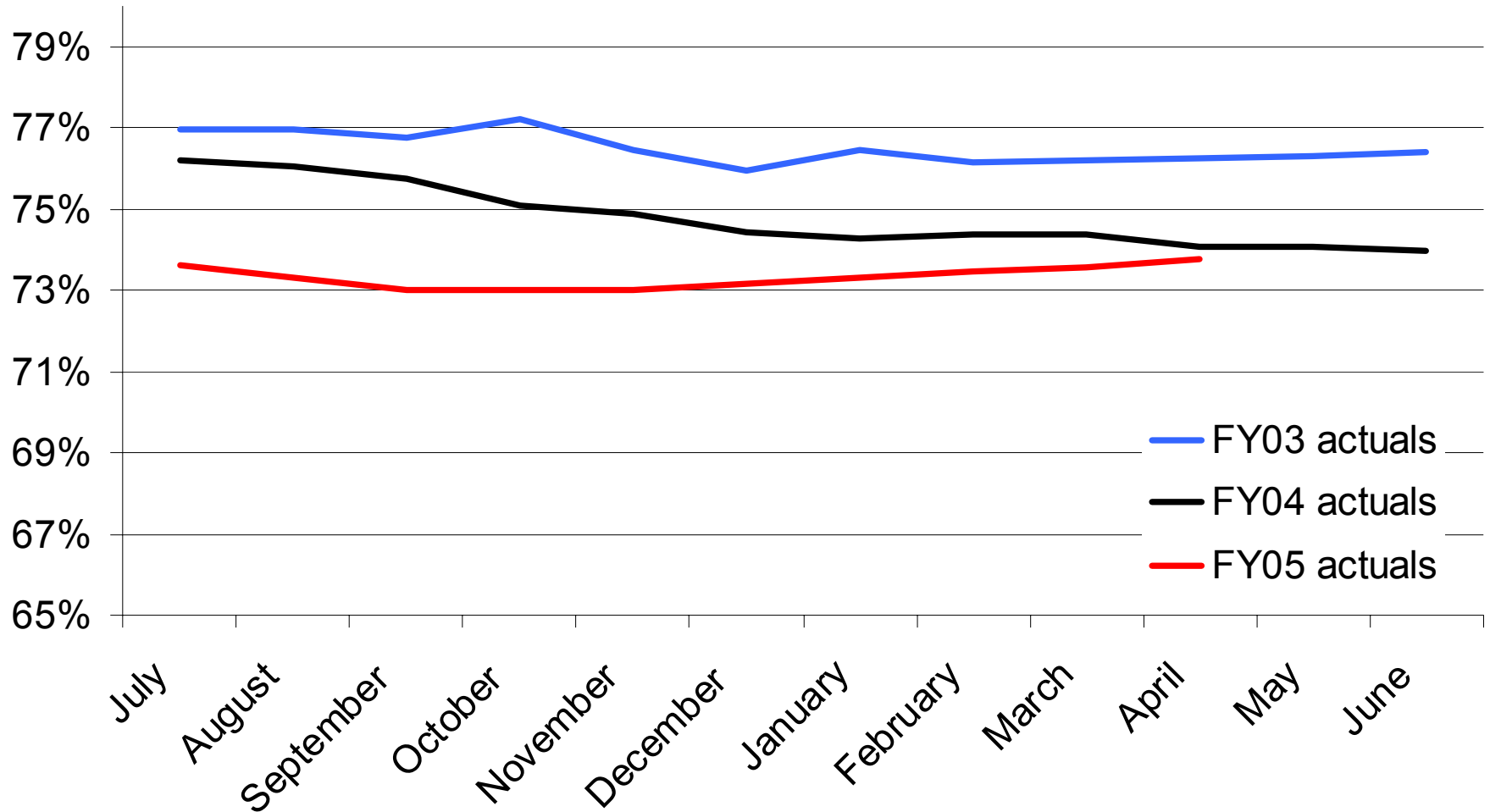


Roughly 30% of non-custodial parents make some payment to current and recent TANF families each month. This has declined steadily in recent years.

TANF families with some support collected

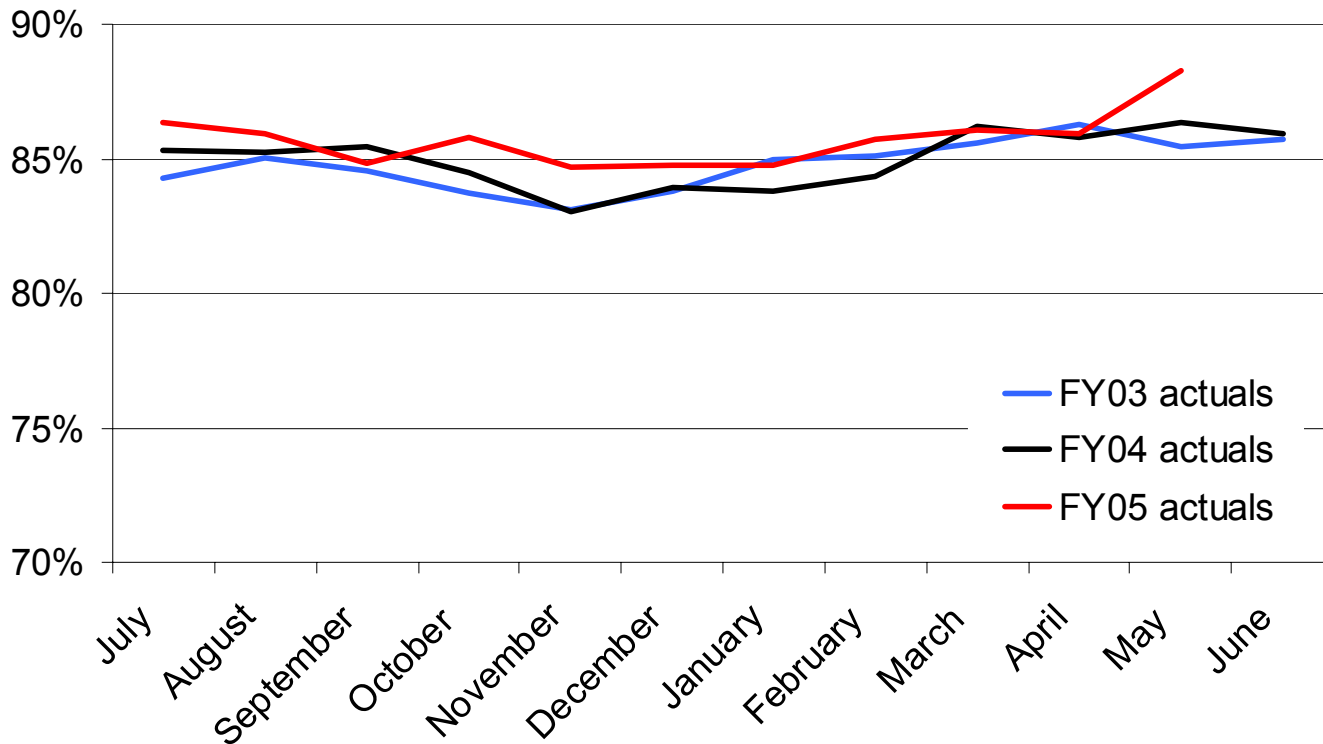


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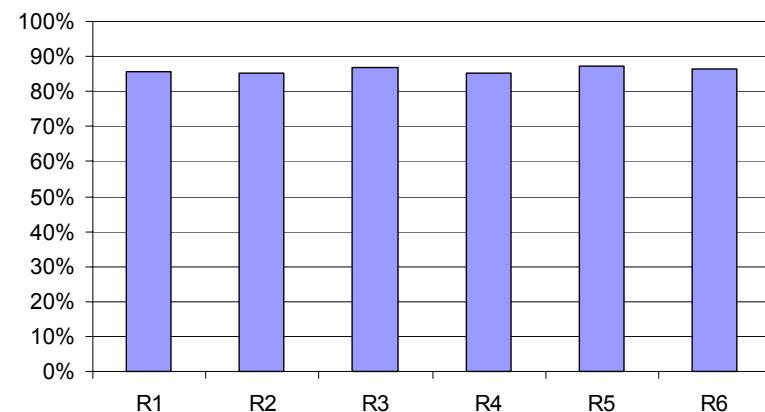


How many families stay of the caseload for at least three months after exiting?

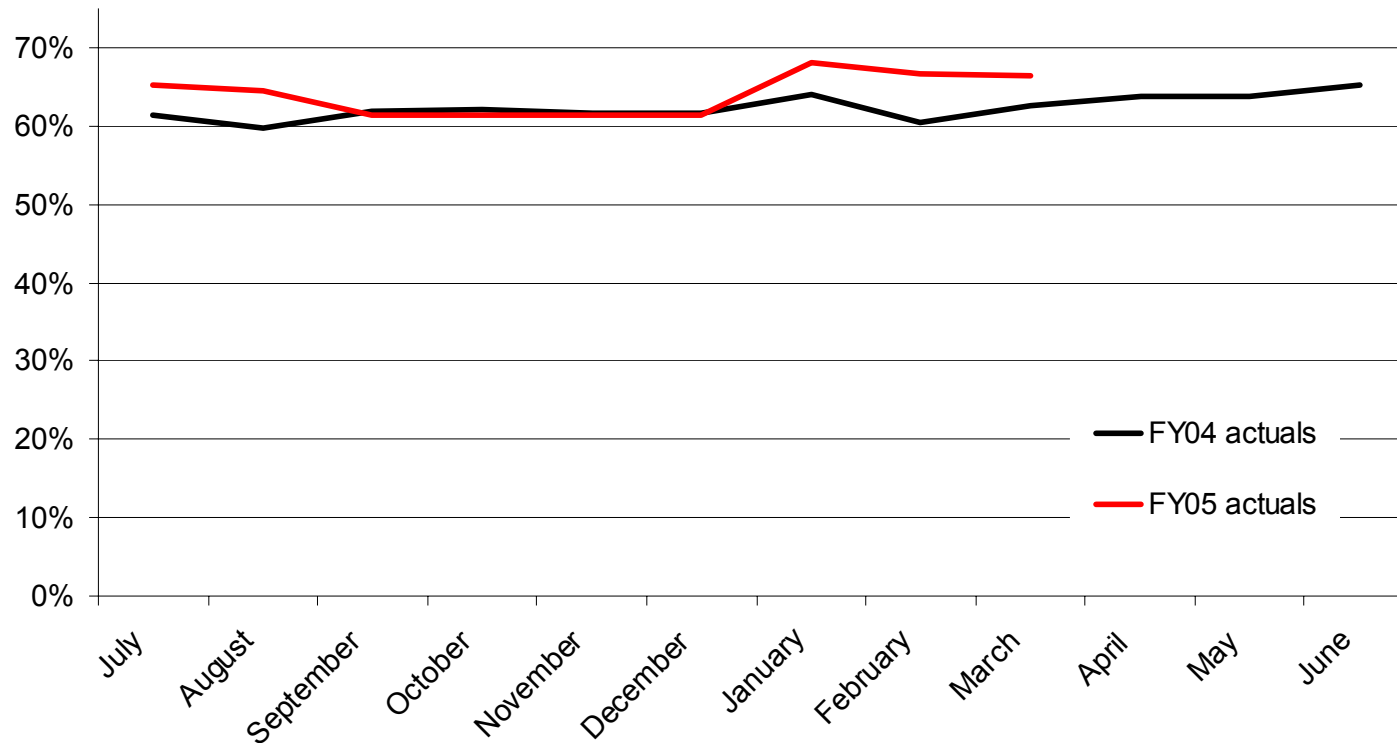
This measure has been very steady at 85%, but in May 2005 it reached a record high of 88%.



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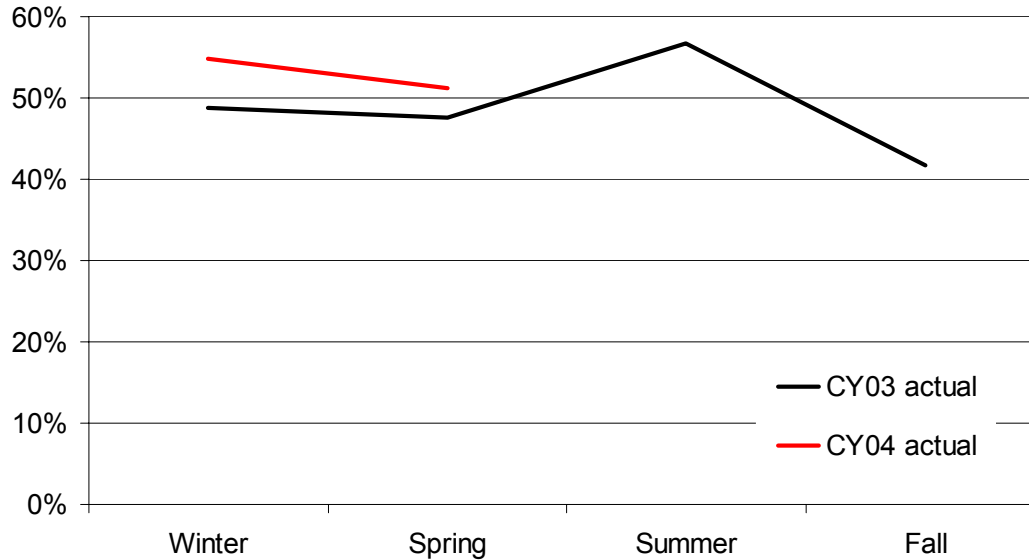
Among clients applying for aid, how many receive an alternative source of support?*



This measure is very stable at 60-70%.

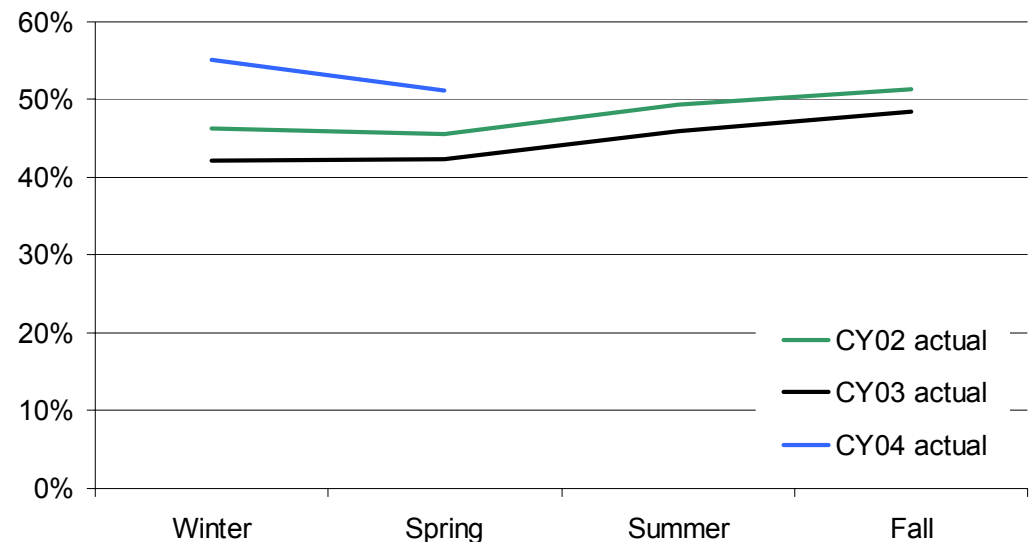
*Alternative supports include food stamp, Medicaid, UI payments, job search assistance, WCCC, or Diversion Assistance.

At what rates of clients in Community Jobs and college programs placed in employment?

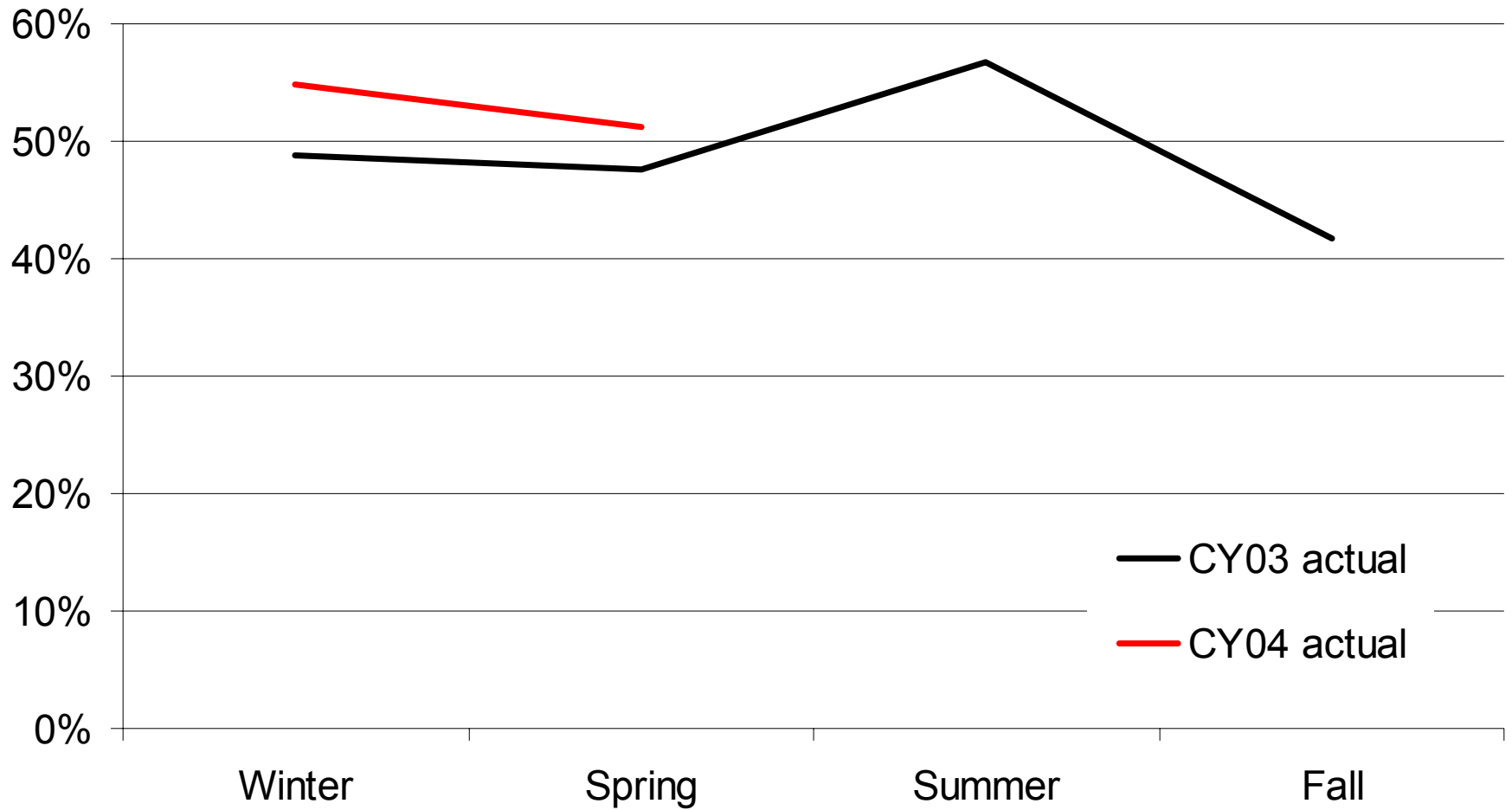


Roughly 50-60% of clients in community college programs are working the quarter following their exit from the college program.

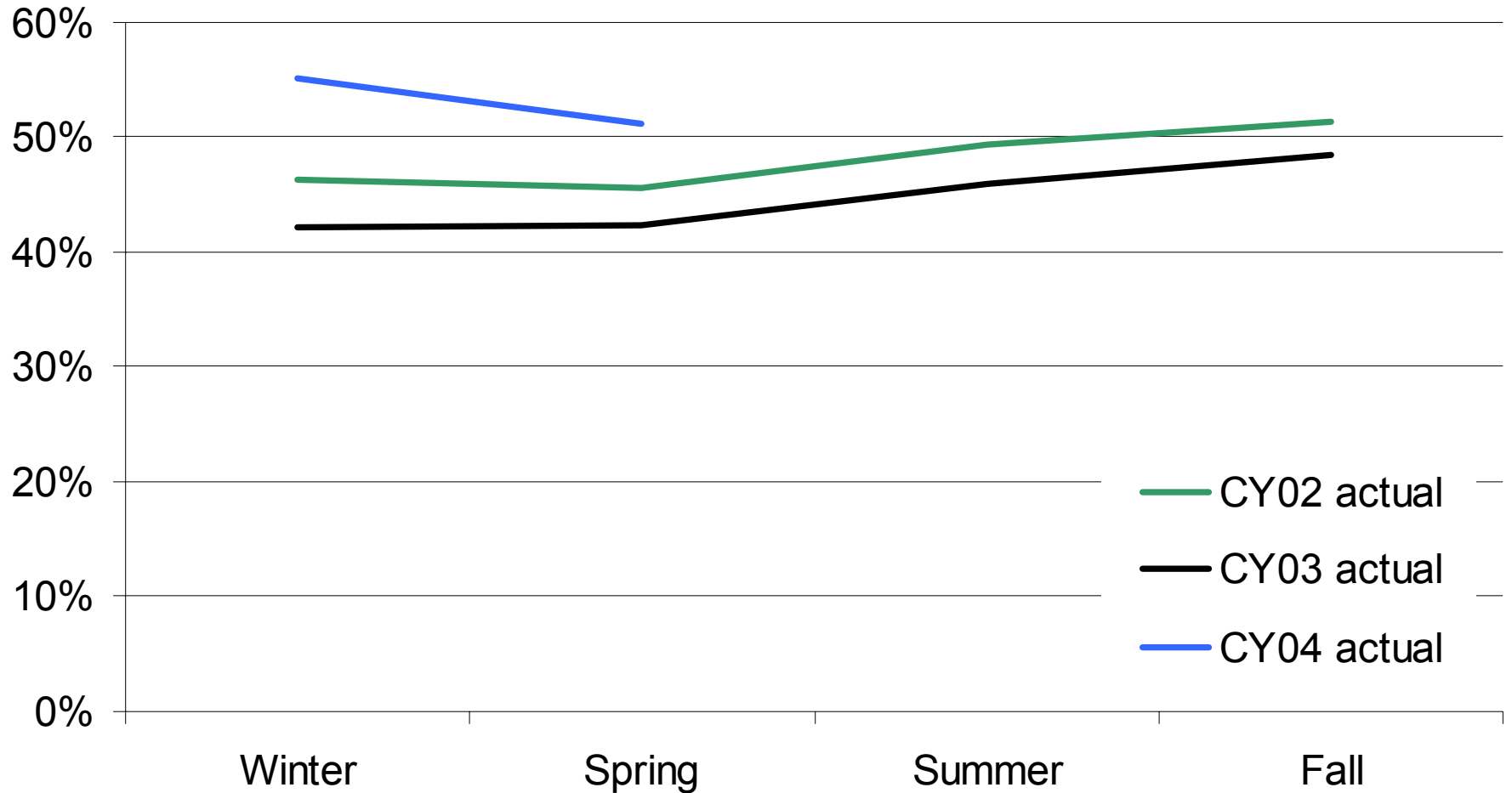
Roughly 50-60% of clients enrolled in Community Jobs are working four quarters after their enrollment. This has improved in the most recent year.



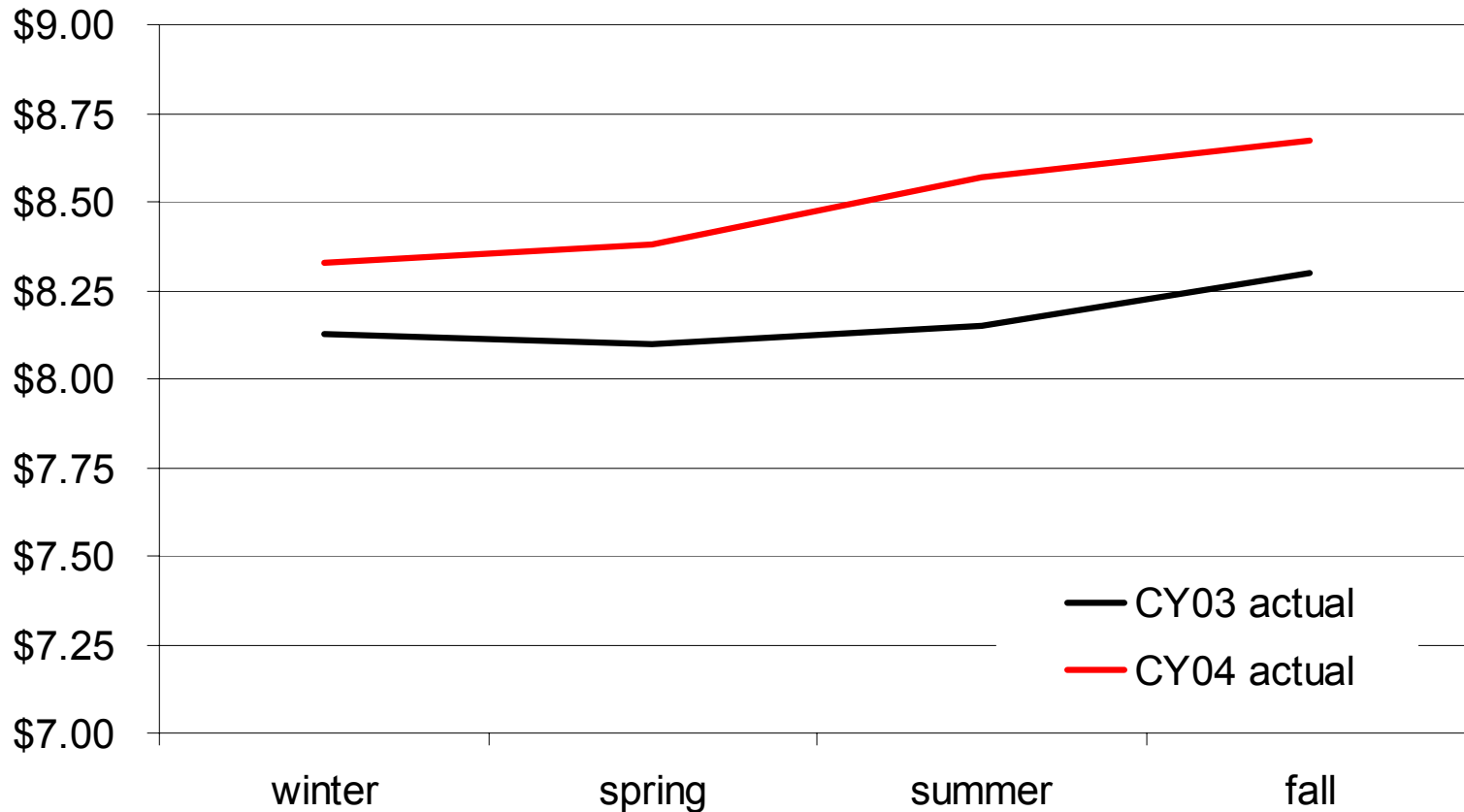
CJST placement rates



Community Jobs placement rates



When TANF clients start full-time work, what is their median wage?



Median placement wages have risen in recent years, at a rate faster than the increase in the minimum wage.